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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Fuchs et al.
Serial No.: 10/586,222
For: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR AEROBIC-THERMOPHILIC
STABILIZATION AND DISINFECTION OF SLUDGE
Filed: October 4, 2006
Examiner: Chester T. Barry
Art Unit: 1797
Confirmation No.: 2726
Customer No.: 27,623 Attorney Docket No.: 175.8377USU

**Mail Stop Amendment
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated December 12, 2008 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$_____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	14	Minus	20	0	x \$52.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	0	x \$220.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$390.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

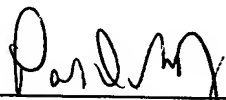
The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____.

_____ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**.

March 12, 2009

Date



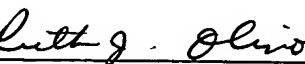
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON MARCH 12, 2009.**

Ruth J. Olivo

NAME



SIGNATURE

March 12, 2009

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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment in response to the Office

Action mailed on December 12, 2008.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.